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PREVIOUS REPORTING INDICATED A STRONG POSSIBILITY THAT A COUP AGAINST PRESIDENT VELASCO WOULD BE ATTEMPTED ON OR ABOUT LAST OCTOBER 31. DISSATISFACTION WITH VELASCO HAD REACHED A HIGH POINT FOLLOWING HIS EFFORTS TO ALTER MILITARY RETIREMENT LAWS TO ENABLE HIM TO PROMOTE OFFICERS OF MORE RADICAL POLITICAL VIEWS. ACCORDING TO THIS LATEST REPORT, HOWEVER, MODERATE ARMY OFFICERS WITHDREW THEIR SUPPORT FROM THE PLOTTERS AFTER VELASCO LET IT BE KNOWN THAT HE WOULD NOT APPLY THE NEW RETIREMENT PROCEDURES TO THE ARMY. THE PRESIDENT REPORTEDLY IS PRESSING AHEAD WITH EFFORTS TO RETIRE ROOSTOP OFFICERS IN THE NAVY WHOSE VIEWS HE CONSIDERS

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WHILE THE INFORMATION IN THIS REPORT IS PLAUSIBLE, IT PROBABLY DOES NOT TELL THE WHOLE STORY, AND VELASCO IS LIKELY TO CONTINUE EFFORTS TO UNDERMINE THE MODERATES' INFLUENCE. PLOTTING IS LIKELY TO CONTINUE ESPECIALLY IN THE NAVY, ALTHOUGH, FOR THE MOMENT, MODERATE ARMY OFFICERS ARE WAITING TO SEE IF GENERAL MORALES BERMUDEZ--A LEADING MODERATE--WILL ASSUME THE PRIME MINISTERSHIP AS SCHEDULED IN FEBRUARY. A CRITICAL SITUATION WOULD ARISE IF HE IS NOT PERMITTED TO ASSUME THIS POSITION. E-2 IMPDET.

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